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August 2, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. RDC0011922 - Morning Sun Avenue and PD No. 812, Line H Repair, vicinity of Rowland Heights (4), Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$349,802.10 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. RMD1146035 - Parkway Tree Planting, Maintenance District 1 (As Needed), FY 2003-04, in the southeast areas of Los Angeles County, in the vicinities of Industry, Diamond Bar, and Covina (1, 4, and 5), FS Construction, with changes amounting to a credit of \$37,670.00, and a final contract amount of \$107,450.00.

Project ID No. TSM0010007 - Imperial Highway at Firestone Boulevard, et al., City of Norwalk (4), Sequel Contractors, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$5,988.56, and a final contract amount of \$259,172.34.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of the Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for RMD1146035 and TSM0010007.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modifications to the contract amounts are credits of \$5,988.56 and \$37,670.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$107,450.00 to \$349,802.10.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011922, MORNING SUN AVENUE AND PD NO. 812, LINE H REPAIR (in the vicinity of Rowland Heights), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc, P. O. Box 1747,  
Brea, California 92822-1747

Project Description:

Excavation and reconstruction of existing roadway pavement; reconstruction of concrete curb, gutter, and driveways; reconstruction of an existing reinforced concrete pipe storm drain; and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 27, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. On November 30, 2004, your Board approved the partial acceptance of the work of this contract pending potential additional site grading beyond the scope of the original contract being needed. We have determined that additional grading will not be needed as part of this contract. Therefore, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$339,120.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>10,682.10</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$349,802.10</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
August 2, 2005

PROJECT ID NO. RMD1146035, PARKWAY TREE PLANTING, MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1 (AS NEEDED), FY 2003-04 (in the southeast areas of Los Angeles County, in the vicinities of Industry, Diamond Bar, and Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1, 4, and 5

Contractor: FS Construction, 13368 Aldergrove Street, Sylmar, California 91342

Project Description:

Planting of parkway trees on an as-needed basis.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$37,670.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on May 31, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$ 95,450.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	49,670.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(37,670.00)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$107,450.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010007, IMPERIAL HIGHWAY AT FIRESTONE BOULEVARD,  
ET AL. (City of Norwalk), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: Sequel Contractors, Inc., 13546 Imperial Highway, Santa Fe Springs,  
California 90670

Project Description:

Widening of roadway pavement, construction of curb, sidewalk, driveways, curb and gutter, curb ramps, and the installation of striping and pavement markings.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$5,988.56)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on June 17, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.



Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$219,519.50
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	45,641.40
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(5,988.56)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$259,172.34</u>

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